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Sir:

In connection with the above-referenced U.S. patent application, transmitted herewith are the following documents:

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 15 NOVEMBER 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 15 November 2005, Applicants request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

<u>The Claims</u> and their current status are reflected beginning on page 2. <u>Remarks</u> begin on page 6.